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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

FEDERAL - STATE - PRIVATE COOPERATIVE SNOW SURVEYS

for

NEVADA

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT of AGRICULTURE SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE, and

NEVADA DEPARTMENT of CONSERVATION and NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION of WATER RESOURCES

Data included in this report were obtained by the agencies named above in cooperation with the Federal, State and private organizations listed on the last page of this report.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

To Recipients of Water Supply Outlook Reports:

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The climate of the cultivated and populated areas of the West is characterized by relatively dry summer months. Such precipitation as occurs falls mostly in the winter and early spring months when it is of little immediate benefit to growing crops. Most of this precipitation falls as mountain snow which stays on the ground for months, melting later to sustain streamflow during the period of greatest demand during late spring and summer. Thus, nature provides in mountain snow an imposing water storage facility.

The amount of water stored in mountain snow varies from place to place as well as from year to year and accordingly, so does the runoff of the streams. The best seasonal management of variable western water supplies results from advance estimates of the streamflow.

A snow survey consists of a series of about ten samples taken with specially designed snow sampling equipment along a permanently marked line, up to 1000 feet in length, called a snow course. The use of snow sampling equipment provides snow depth and water equivalent values for each sampling point. The average of these values is reported as the snow survey measurement for a snow course.

Snow surveys are made monthly or semi-monthly beginning in January or February and continue through the snow season until April, May or June. Currently more than 1400 western snow courses are measured each year. These measurements furnish the key data for water supply forecasts.

Streamflow forecasts are obtained by a comparison of total or maximum snow accumulation, as measured by snow water equivalent, to the subsequent spring and summer or snowmelt season runoff over a period of years. The snow water equivalent measured in selected snow courses provides most of the index to the streamflow forecast for the following season. More accurate forecasts are usually obtained when other factors such as soil moisture, base flow and spring precipitation are considered and included in the forecast procedure. Early season forecasts assume average climatic conditions through the snowmelt season.

Listed below are the Federal-State-Private Cooperative Snow Survey and Water Supply Forecast reports available for the West which contain detailed information on snow survey measurements, streamflow forecasts, reservoir storage, soil moisture and other guide data to water management and conservation decisions. Soil Conservation Service Reports may be secured from Soil:Conservation Service, 511 N.W./Broadway - Room 507, Portland, Oregon 97209.

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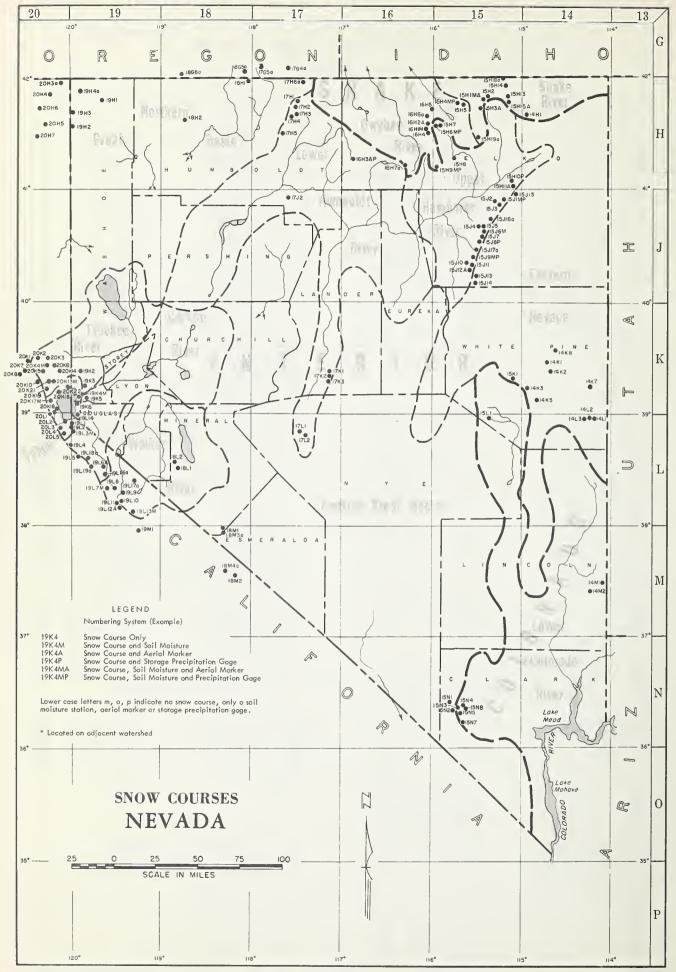
ALPHABETICAL INDEX TO NEVADA SNOW COURSES

This alphabetical tabulation of snow courses has been prepared to provide readers with rapid access to basic snow survey data. The reader is referred to the "Index to Nevada Snow Courses by basins" and "Nevada Snow Courses" map on the next page for other detailed information such as location, elevation, basin and sub-basin, state and numbering system legend.

SNOW COURSE	NO.	PLATE	SNOW COURSE	NO.	PLATE
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AMERICAN BEAUTY	15J17a	9,12	LAMOILLE #3	15J6M	9,12
BAKER #1 BAKER #2	14L1 14L2	8 8	LAMOILLE #4 LAMOILLE #5	15J7	9,12
BAKER #3	14L3	8	LAPON MEACOW	15J8 18L1	9,12
BALO MOUNTAIN	19H1	15	LAUREL DRAW	16H5	11
BARBER CREEK	20H5	15	LEAVITT MEADOWS	19L8	5
BEAR CREEK	15H1MA	11,12	LEE CANYON #1	15N4	7
BERRY CREEK	14K2	8	LEE CANYON #2	15N3	7
BIG BENO	1 5H4MP	11,12	LEE CANYON #3	1 5N8	7
BIG CREEK CAMPGROUNO	17K1	13	LITTLE BALLY MTN.	19H4a	15
BIG CREEK MINE	17K2	13	LITTLE VALLEY	19K3	2
BIG CREEK, UPPER	17K3	13	LOBOELL LAKE	19L17a	5
BIRO CREEK	14K1	8	LOUSE CANYON	17G4a	14
BLUE LAKES	19L5	3,4	LOWER CORRAL	17L1	7,13
BOCA #2	20K14	2,4			
BROCKWAY SUMMIT	20K22	2	MARLETTE LAKE	19K4M	2,3
BUCKEYE FORKS	19L11	5	MARTIN CREEK	17H3	12,14
BUCKEYE ROUGHS	19L10	5	MATHEW CANYON	1 4M1	7
BUCKSKIN, LOWER	17H2	12,14	MIDAS	16H3AP	11,12
BUCKSKIN, UPPER	17H1	12,14	MONTGOMERY PASS	1 8M1	6
			MT. GRANT	18L2	5
CAMPITO MOUNTAIN	1 8M2	6	MT. ROSE	1 9K2	2
CARSON PASS, UPPER	19L4	3,4	MURRAY SUMMIT	14K3	8
CAVE CREEK CEOAR PASS	15J13 20H6	8,9,12 15	OREGON CANYON	17G5a	1.4
CENTER MOUNTAIN		5	OREGON CANTON	1765a	14
CLARK CANYON	19L12A 15N2	7	PINCHOT CREEK	1 8M3 a	6
CLEAR CREEK	19K5	3,4	PINE CANYON	1 4M2	7
COLUMBIA BASIN	16H6a	11	PIUTE PASS	18M4a	6
CORRAL CANYON	15J12A	9,12	POISON FLAT	19L6A	3,4
		0,1.2	POLE CREEK R. 5.	15H14	10
OAGGETTS PASS	19L14	2,3,4,			
OENIO CREEK	18G6 a	14	QUINN RIDGE	17H6 a	14
OISASTER PEAK	1 8H 1	14			
DISMAL SWAMP	20H3a	15	RAINBOW CANYON #2	15N7	7
OONNER PARK #2	20K21	2	REO POINT	15H18a	10
OONNER SUMMIT	20K10	2,4	RESERVATION CREEK	20H4	15
DORSEY BASIN	15J1MP	9,12	RICHAROSONS #2	20L3	2
ORY CREEK	15J3	9,12	ROBINSON LAKE	15J16a	9,12
			ROBINSON SUMMIT	15K1	8
EAGLE PEAK	20H7	15	ROOEO FLAT	15H6MP	11,12
EBBETTS PASS	19L19 a	3	RUBICON #1	20L1	2
ECHO SUMMIT	20L5	2,3,4	RUBICON #2	20L2	2
FOROXCE LAKE	2077	2 4	RYAN RANCH	15J2	9,12
FOROYCE LAKE 49-MTN.	20K7	2,4 15	SAGE HEN CREEK	20K6	2,4
FOX CREEK	1 9H3 1 5H2	11	76 CREEK	15H3A	11,12
FREEL BENCH	19L2	2	SILVER CREEK #2	1 4K7	8
FRY CANYON	15H7	11,12	SONORA PASS	19L7M	3,5
FURNACE FLAT	20K8	2,4	50UAW VALLEY #2	20K19	2
			STAG MTN.	15H19a	11,12
GLENBROOK #2	19K6	2,3			
GOAT CREEK	15H13	10	TAROE CITY	20K16	2,4
GOLCONOA #2	17J2	12	TAYLOR CANYON	15H9MP	11,12
GOLD CREEK	15H5	11,12	TIOGA PASS	1 9M1	5
GRANITE PEAK	17H4	12,14	TOE JAM	16H7a	11,12
GREEN MOUNTAIN	15J9MP	9,12	TREMEWAN RANCH	1 5H8	11,12
			TROUGH 5PRINGS	1 5 N 1	7
HAGANS MEAOOW	19L3M	2,4	TROUT CREEK	18G5a	14
HAGER CANYON	15J14	8,9,12	TROUT CREEK, LOWER	15H1 OP	9,12
HARRISON PASS #1	15J10	9,12	TROUT CREEK, UPPER	15H11A	9,12
HARRISON PASS #2	15311	9,12	TRUCKEE #2	20K1 3M	2
HAYS CANYON	19H2	15			
HOLE-IN-MOUNTAIN HUMMINGBIRD 5PRINGS	15J15	9,12	UPPER CORRAL	17L2	7,13
HOMMINGBIRD SPRINGS	15H15A	10,12	UPPER FISH VALLEY	19L16a	3
INCEPENCENCE CAMP	20 K 4M	2,4	UPPER TRUCKEE	19L1	2
INCEPENCENCE CREEK	20K3	2	VIRGINIA LAKES	101124	E
INCEPENCENCE LAKE	20K5	2	VINGINIA LAKES	19L13M	5
	-		WARO CREEK	20K17M	2,4
JACK CREEK, LOWER	16H1M	11,12	WARO MOUNTAIN #2	14K5	8
JACK CREEK, UPPER	16H2A	11,12	WEBBER LAKE	20K2	2
JACKS PEAK	16H4	11,12	WEBBER PEAK	20K1	2
JAKES CREEK	1 4H1	10,13	WET MEADOWS LAKE	19L18 a	
			WHITE RIVER #1	15L1	8
KALAMAZOO CREEK	14K8	8	WILLOW FLAT	19L9	5
KYLE CANYON	15N5	7			
LAKE LUCILLE	20L4	2			
LAMANCE CREEK	17H5	12,14			
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1 6H5 17G4a 17H3° 15H6MP°	LAUREL ORAW LOUSE CANYON (OREG.) MARTIN CREEK ROOEO FLAT STAG MTN. TAYLOR CANYON TOE JAM TREMEWAN RANCH	20 27 18 36 29 35 29	45N 405 44N 43N	5 3 E 4 4 E 4 0 E 5 3 E 5 0 E 5 3 E 5 0 E 5 5 E	6700 6440 6700 6800 7700 6200 7700 5700	2 O L 3 2 O L 1 2 O L 2 2 O K 1 6 1 9 L 1 2 O K 1 7 M	RICHAROSONS #2 (CAL.) RUBICON #1 (CAL.) RUBICON #2 (CAL.) TAHOE CITY (CAL.) UPPER TRUCKEE (CAL.) WARO CREEK (CAL.) KEE RIVER	8 6 8 21 21	1 2 N 1 3 N 1 3 N 1 5 N 1 2 N 1 5 N	18E 17E 17E 17E 18E 6E	6500 8100 7500 6250 6400 7000
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WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK FOR NEVADA

March 1, 1965

Ample to adequate are adjectives which best summarize Nevada's water supply outlook for the coming spring and summer. Water users served from east slope Sierra streams and reservoirs will have a very good to excellent 1965 irrigation water supply. Humboldt water users will ж. * have a good water supply comparable to, if not better than, last year. × * Central and southern Nevada's supplies will be only fair to good. Reservoir storage is the best since 1959. Mountain soils are very wet in western and northern Nevada. The March 1, 1965 snow pack ranges ¥. * from 120-140 percent of average in the Sierra and 100 percent in the * * Humboldt to 50-60 percent in southern Nevada.

STREAMFLOW FORECASTS

East slope Sierra streams are lonecast to flow from 125 to 150 percent of average during April-July 1965. Lake Tahoe is forecast to rise 1.80 feet from April 1 assuming gates closed. This rise plus the normal March inflow would bring the lake up to elevation 6229.0, its upper decreed limit.

April-July 1965 streamflow in the Humboldt basin ranges from 100 to 130 percent of average. Central and southern Nevada streamflow will be only fair to good, with the Virgin River forecast at 79 percent of average.

RESERVOIP STORAGE

Stored water in Nevada's principal reservoirs is the best since 1959. Currently these reservoirs hold 948,000 acre feet of water, which is 131 percent of the March 1 average and 69 percent of capacity. Subject to management decisions all reservoirs can be filled to capacity, except for Wildhorse. There should be an above average stored water carryover into the 1966 water year.

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITIONS

Moisture content of mountain soils in northern and western Nevada is excellent. Little, if any, snowmelt water will be lost to these soils. Range forage growth during the spring should be good to excellent.

Soils in southern and south central Nevada are drier and will absorb a considerable portion of the currently below normal snow pack when it melts.

SNOW COVER

February 1965 precipitation in general and snowfall in particular was well below normal in the 20-50 percent of average range. As a result most Sierra and Humboldt snow courses showed little, if any, gain in water content during February. These deficiencies were offset by the heavy snow pack which accumulated during January. As of March 1, the water content of snow by basins or areas is as follows: east slope Sierra - 120-140 percent of the March 1, 1948-62 average; Humboldt-Owyhee - 100 percent; White Pine County - 95 perceht; and Spring Mountains (near Las Vegas)-60 percent.



NEVADA STREAMFILW FORECASTS - MARCH 1, 1965

The following summarized runoff forecasts are based principally on mountain snow cover and the assumption that precipitation and temperature will be near average from the present time to the end of the forecast period. Appreciable deviations from normal of temperature and/or precipitation will correspondingly modify these forecasts.

	April-Ju	ly, Strea	mflow Thou	sands A	cre Feet
Dogin and		15-Yr.	1965 as	Mea	sured
Basin and Forecast Stream	Forecast 1965	Av. 1948-62	% of 15-Yr.Av.		noff 1963
TRUCKEE RIVER	24, 300, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11, 11,				
Little Truckee River above Boca, California 3	117	78	150	63	110
Truckee River at Farad, Calif. 2,3	345	269	128	180	277
Lake Tahoe 1,3	1.80	1.47	122	0.90	1.87
CARSON RIVER					
East Carson nr. Gardnerville, Nev.	250	179	140	113	212
West Carson at Woodfords, Calif.	75	52	144	35	*
Carson River nr. Carson City, Nev.	235	169	139	87	218
Carson River at Ft. Churchill, Nev	. 220	155	142	70	188
East Carson nr. Gardnerville, Nev. (Date of 200 c.f.s. flow)	8/3	7/20	7/9	7/9	8/5
WALKER RIVER					
East Walker nr. Bridgeport, Calif.	90	57	158	21	88
West Walker below E. Fork nr. Coleville, Calif.	200	140	143	86	173
COLORADO RIVER					
Virgin River at Virgin, Utah ⁵	34	43	79	37	18

(Continued)

	April-Ju		nflow Thous	ands Ac	re Feet
Basin and	Forecast	15-Yr. Av.	1965 as % of	Meas Run	ured off
Forecast Stream	1965	1948-62		1964	1963
HUMBOLDT RIVER					
Lamoille Creek nr. Lamoille, Nev.	3 ⁾ 4	26	131	33	30
So. Fk. Humboldt nr. Elko, Nev.	75	60	125	88	75
Marys River above Hot Springs, Nev	. 36	34	105	30	27
North Fk. Humboldt at Devils Gate,	Nev.34	34	100	33	22
Humboldt River at Palisade, Nev.	225	173	130	271	216
Humboldt River at Comus, Nev.	170	127	134	207	140
Martin Creek nr. Paradise, Nev.	13	17	106	12	10
SNAKE RIVER					
Owyhee River nr. Owyhee, Nev. 6	23	22	105	21	15
Owyhee River nr. Gold Creek, Nev.	78	74	105	78	70
Salmon Falls Creek nr. San	110	78	141	102	72
Jacinto, Nevada 7	107	76	141	98	69
SURPRISE VALLEY					
Bidwell Cr. nr. Ft. Bidwell, Cal. 8	17.2	14.3*	* 120	***	13.3
Mill Cr. nr. Cedarville, Calif. ⁸	6.7	5.5	122	5.8	5.5
Deep Cr. nr. Cedarville, Calif.8	4.7	3.8	1214	3.9	4.3
Eagle Cr. nr. Eagleville, Calif.8	6.7	5.2	129	5.8	5.2

- 1. Maximum rise, in feet, from April 1, assuming gates closed.
- 2. Exclusive of Tahoe and corrected for storage in Boca Reservoir.
- 3. Forecast issued by Truckee Basin Water Committee, composed of Truckee-Carson Irrigation District, Sierra Pacific Power Company and Washoe County Water Conservation District.
- 4. For period April through August corrected for storage in Bridgeport Reservoir.
- 5. April-June forecast; issued by SCS, Salt Lake City, Utah.
- 6. Corrected for storage in Wild Horse Reservoir.
- 7. March-Sept. and March-July forecasts respectively; issued by SCS, Boise, Idaho.
- 8. April-Sept. forecast; coordinated forecast of SCS and California Dept. of Water Resources, Snow Survey Units.
- * Gage washed out February 1963; record incomplete.
- ** Adjusted average.

STATUS OF RESERVOIR STORAGE MARCH 1, 1965

			USAI	BLE STORAG	E - 1000	ACRE FEET
Basin and Stream	Reservoir	Usable Capacity (1000 AF)	1965	1964	1963	March 1 15-Yr. Av. 1948-62
Owyhee	Wild Horse	33	9*	25	20	14
Lower Humboldt	Rye Patch	179	139	79	80	63
Colorado	Mohave	1,810	1,683	1,674	1,702	1,357**
Colorado	Mead	27,217	11,361	15,090	22,496	17,037
Tahoe	Tahoe	732	486	350	235	395
Truckee	Boca	41	3	6	32	6
Truckee	Prosser***	30	9	10	10	m or
Carson	Lahentan	286	236	225	238	186
West Walker	Topaz	59	45	50	52	34
East Walker	Bridgeport	η ⁵ 5	30	42	39	28

^{*} Reservoir drained during summer to effect repairs to dam.

TOTAL RESERVOIR STORAGE

Developed from Wild Korse, Rye Patch, Tahoe, Boca, Lahontan, Topaz, and Bridgeport Reservoirs in 1000's Acre Feet

1050-60	1060-67	1061-62	1062-63	1063-61	1061-65	Average 1948-62
1979-00	1.900-0.1	1901-02	1902-03	1903-04	1904-07	1940-02
489	263	65	345	707	498	572
367	206	57	419	756	785	622
398	218	73	558	784	911	670
494	254	210	696	777	948	725
592	285	318	769	775		776
632	300	499	844	814		834
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TOTAL USABLE CAPACITY 1,372

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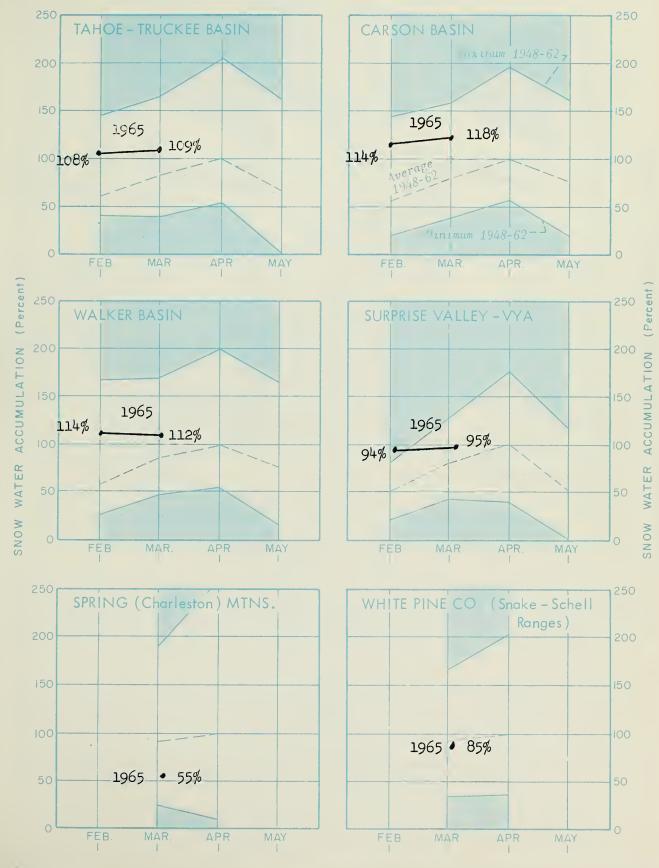
^{***} Flood control use allocation of 20,000 A.F. between November 1 and April 10; storage began January 30, 1963.



SNOW WATER ACCUMULATION IN NEVADA

Percent of average maximum accumulation

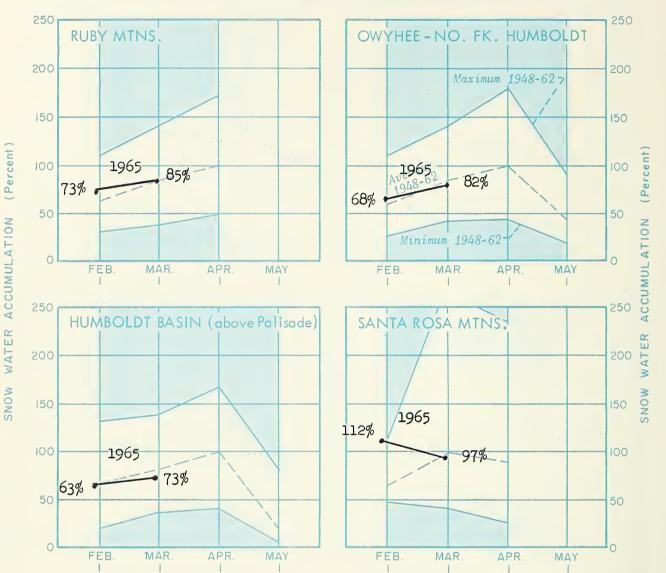
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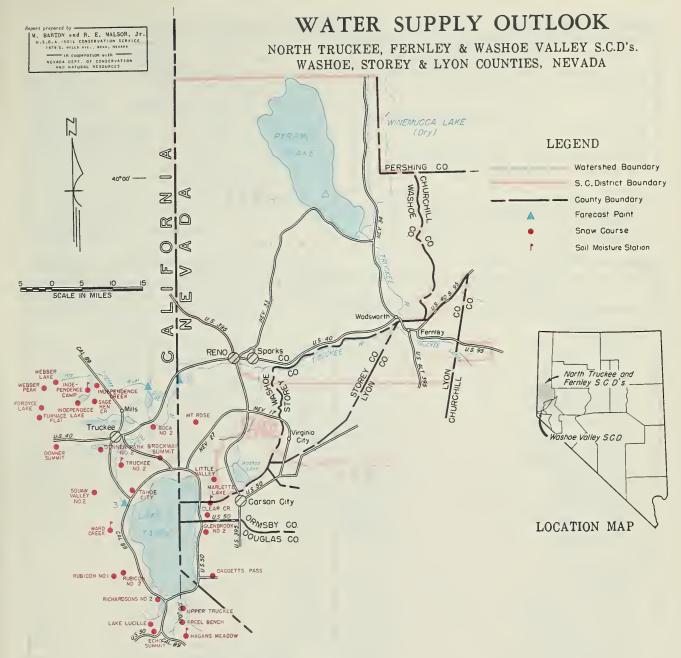


SNOW WATER ACCUMULATION IN NEVADA

Percent of average maximum accumulation

As of March 1, 1965





MARCH 1, 1965

Very little snow fell in the Iake Tahoe and Truckee basins during February. Due to the excellent snow pack which accumulated in January the basin snow pack is 130 percent of the March 1, 1948-62 average. Soil moisture conditions under the snow are excellent. Iake Tahoe held 486,000 acre feet on March 1, 1965 which is 123 percent of average. Boca held 3,000 acre feet on March 1.

The Truckee Basin Water Committee forecasts that Lake Tahoe will rise 1.80 feet from April 1 through the runoff period. The March 1, 1965 elevation was 6227.05. Taking into account March inflow plus 1.80 feet from April 1, the lake would rise to 6229.0 maximum elevation if the gates were kept closed.

The Committee forecast April-July 1965 flow of Truckee at Farad at 345,000 acre feet and Little Truckee above Boca at 117,000 acre feet.

STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY		ED (First o	
Lake Tahoe	732	486	350	395
Boca	41	3	6	6
Prosser b/	29	9	10	
b/ Flood cont 20,000 a.f	rol us	e allo	cation to 4	/T0

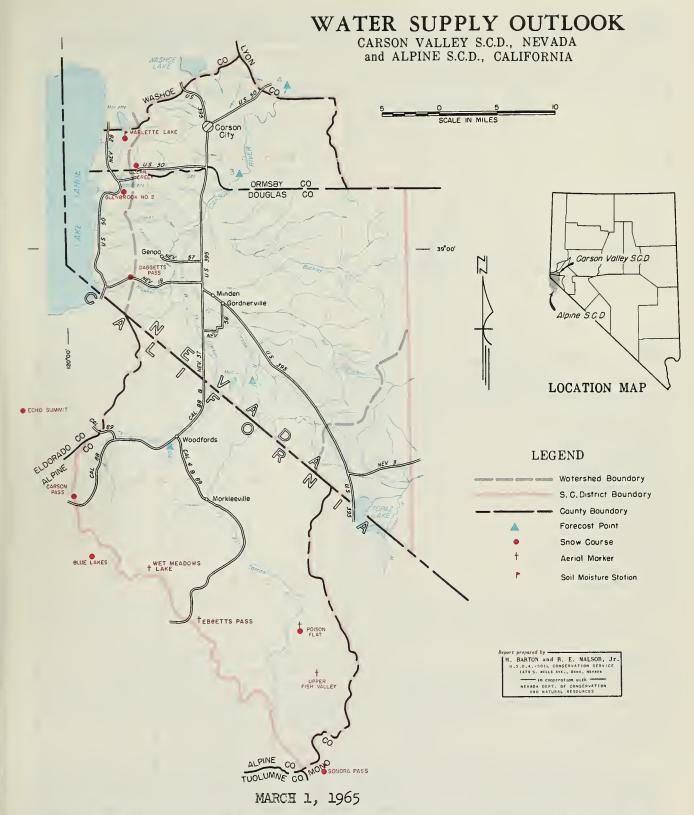
NOTE: All averages based on 1948-62, 15 year period. Forecast period is April 1 through July 31 unless otherwise noted. a-Aerial marker; water content estimated. * 1948-62 adjusted average.

APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	MEAS LAST YEAR	
1. Little Truckee River above Boca 2. Truckee River at Farad, Calif. 3. Lake Tahoe rise (In Ft. from Apr. 1 assuming gates closed)	117 345 1.80	63 180 0.90	78 269 1.47
Note: Above forecas Truckee Basin		r	

SNOW March 1, 1965						
SHOW		CURF	RENT INFORMA		PAST R	
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONT	ENT (Inches)
NAME	ELEVATION		(11101100)	(Inches)	LAST TEAR	AVERAGE
Daggetts Pass Echo Summit Freel Bench Glenbrook #2 Hagans Meadow Little Valley Marlette Lake Richardsons #2 Rubicon #1 Rubicon #2 Tahoe City Upper Truckee Ward Creek	7350 7500 7300 6900 8000 6300 8000 6500 8100 7500 6250 6400	2/25 3/1 2/26 2/27 2/26 3/3 2/25 2/27 2/28 2/28 2/26 2/26 3/1	274 3332 514 42824 1084 108	10.5°/ 45.6 15.6 11.6 12.7.6 19.4 19.6 11.8 11.8 11.8 11.8 11.8	5.5.2 0.4.4 8.4 0.7.6 1.8 10.4.4 8.4 0.7.6 1.8 2.6.7.6 1.8	10.7° 29.8 12.0° 11.6° 16.9° 11.6° 18.4 17.6° 40.4° 24.7° 11.8 10.0° 38.6°
TRUCKEE RIVER Boca #2 Brockway Summit Donner Park #2 Donner Summit Fordyce Lake Furnace Flat Independence Camp Independence Creek Independence Iake Sage Hen Creek Squaw Valley #2 Truckee #2 C/ Partial Sample	5900 7100 6000 6900 6500 6600 7000 6500 8450 6500 7500 6400		20 46 39 84 ort Dela 60 40 118 47 125 46		4.6 8.6 13.6 23.5 25.9 28.2 14.0 10.2 26.4 12.7 28.1 10.6	7.2° 17.5° 33.9° 33.8° 39.3° 20.5° 13.7° 33.3° 17.4° 44.9° 16.7°

SOIL MOISTURE		PROFILE	(Inches)	SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)				
STATION	DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS	LAST	2 YEARS		
NAME	ELEVATION				YEAR	YEAR	AGO	
Hagans Meadow Independence Camp Marlette Lake Truckee #2 Ward Creek	8000 7000 8000 6400 7000	364 3508 49	3.65 6.10 3.65 5.80	2/26 3/2 2/25 3/3 3/1	60.77-8 60.77-8	9,00,00 0,5,00,4	3.6 5.8 5.8	



Carson Valley water users will have an ample irrigation season water supply this spring and early summer. The high and median elevation snow pack in the Carson basin is one of the best in recent years. The snow pack is very dense and snowmelt runoff should be well distributed throughout the irrigation season.

April-July 1965 streamflow is forecast to range from 140-144 percent of average at the East and West Fork gaging stations to 142 percent of average at Ft. Churchill.

Plate 3

(over)

STORAGE (1.000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY		ED (First o	f Month) AVERAGE
Lahontan	286	236	225	186

All averages based on 1948-62, 15 year period. Forecast period is April 1 through July 31 unless otherwise noted. a-Aerial marker; water content estimated. * 1948-62 adjusted average.

APRIL - IIII Y RIINOFF (1 000 Ac Ft)

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FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	MEAS	
1.East Carson nr. Gardnerville	250	113	179
2.West Carson at Woodfords, Calif.	75	34	52
3. Carson River nr. Carson City	235	87	169
4.Carson River at Ft. Churchill	220	70	155
Date 200 cfs flow E. Carson nr. Gardnerville	8/3	7/9	7/20

SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONT	ENT (Inches
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Carson Pass, Upper	8600	2/25	92	46.0	19.0	28.2
Clear Creek	7300	3/2	35	13.6	. 5.8	, 12.9*
Daggetts Pass	7350	2/25	27	10.5 <u>c</u>		
Ebbetts Pass	8700	3/3	70	32.2 <u>a</u>	12.2ª	
Echo Summitt	7500	3/1	2.04	45.0	20.5	29.8
Glenbrook #2	6900	2/27	33	11.6	6.0	11.6%
Marlette Lake	8000	2/25	47	19.0	, 9.8	18.4
Poison Flat	7900	3/3	32	14.4a	8.c <u>a</u> /	
Sonora Pass	8800	2/24	65	27.9	12.4	, 20.2
Upper Fish Valley	8050	3/3	42	16.89	9.82	
Wet Meadow Lake	82.00	Mark	er Down		, 12.62/	
Wolf Creek	8000	3/3	84	37.8a		Marker

c/	Partial	sample
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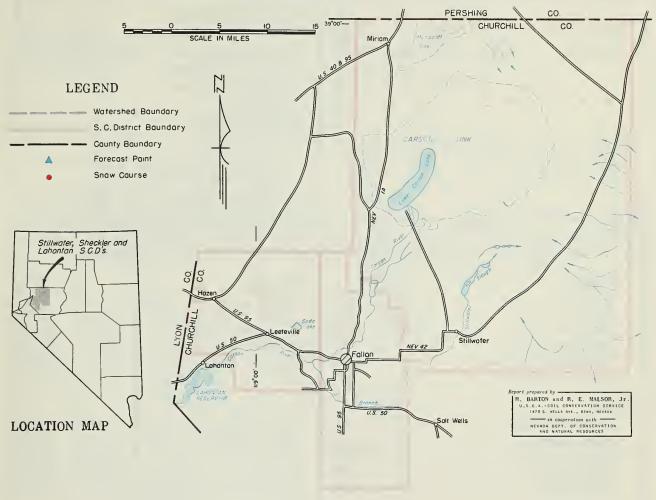
SOIL MOISTURE		PROFILE (Inches) SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)					
STATION		DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS	LAST	2 YEARS
NAME	ELEVATION	L			YEAR	YEAR	AGO
Marlette Lake Sonora Pass	8000 8800	50 48	3.70 8.30	2/25 2/24	3.7 8.3	3.6 8.1	3.6 8.3

Although February snowfall was only 20-25 percent of normal, the March 1 Carson snow pack is 143 percent of average. Mountain soils under the snow are very wet and will absorb little if any snowmelt water.

The East Carson near Gardnerville is forecast to flow 250,000 acre feet during April-July 1965 which is 140 percent of average. During the same period West Carson is forecast at 75,000 acre feet for 144 percent of average. The East Carson is forecast to drop to 200 c.f.s. on August 3, which is two weeks later than average and nearly four weeks longer than last year. The main river stations at Carson City and Ft. Churchill are forecast to flow 235,000 and 220,000 acre feet. Lahontan held 236,000 acre feet on March 1, 1965, 127 percent of average.

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

STILLWATER, SHECKLER, LAHONTAN S.C.D's. & VICINITY CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA



MARCH 1, 1965

The Tahoe-Truckee-Carson watershed's March 1, 1965 snow pack is above normal in the 130-140 percent of average range. Although February precipitation was only 25-30 percent of normal it was offset by the heavy snow pack which accumulated during January.

Water users in the Fallon area will have an ample irrigation season water supply in 1965. Lahontan held 236,000 acre feet on March 1 which is well above average. Lake Tahoe held 486,000 acre feet on March 1.

Carson at Ft. Churchill is forecast to flow 220,000 acre feet during April-July 1965 which is 142 percent of average. During the same time period Truckee at Farad is forecast to flow 345,000 acre feet (128 percent average). Lake Tahoe is forecast to rise 1.80 feet from April 1 assuming gates closed. This rise coupled with the normal March lake rise of .28 foot would bring Lake Tahoe to its upper decreed level of 6229.0 feet above sea level.

Mountain soils are very wet. Thus little, if any, snowmelt water will be needed for soil priming.

Plate 4

STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASUF THIS YEAR	RED (First o	f Month) AVERAGE
Lake Tahoe	732	486	350	395
Lahontan	286	236	225	186

NOTE: All averages based on 1948-62, 15 year period. Forecast period is April 1 through July 31 unless otherwise noted. a-Aerial marker; water content estimated. * 1948-62 adjusted average.

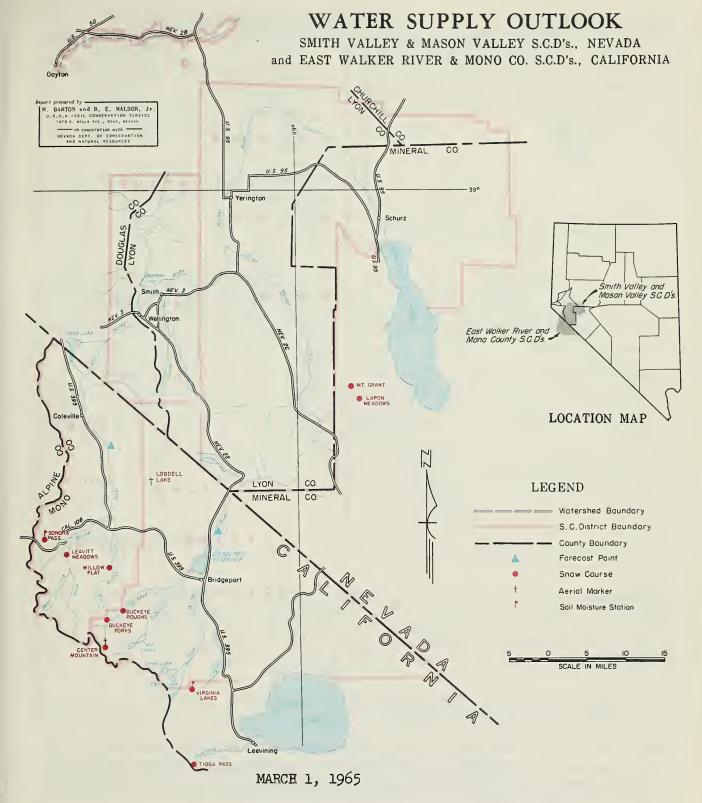
APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR		
Truckee River at Farad, Calif.** Lake Tahoe rise** (In Ft. from April l assuming gates closed)	345 1.80	180	269 1.47
Carson River at Ft. Churchill	220	70	155
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SNOW COURSE		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONT	
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVET	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
TRUCKEE Boca #2 Donner Summit Fordyce Lake Furnace Flat Independence Camp Sage Hen Creek	5900 6900 6500 6600 7000 6500		20 84 port Dela port Dela 60 47		4.6 23.5 25.9 28.2 14.0 12.7	7.2 33.9 33.8 39.3 20.5
TAHOE Daggetts Pass Echo Summit Hagans Meadow Tahoe City Ward Creek	7350 7500 8100 6250 7000	2/25 3/1 2/26 2/26 3/1	27 104 52 24 108	10.5 ^b / 45.0 21.7 11.6 48.3	5.5 ^b /20.5 10.4 9.6 24.8	/ 10.7 29.8 16.9 11.8 38.6
CARSON RIVER Carson Pass, Upper Clear Creek Sonora Pass	8600 7300 8800	2/25 3/2 2/24	92 35 65	46.0 13.6 27.9	19.0 5.8 12.4	28.2 12.9 20.2
b/ Partial sample						

L MOISTURE		PROFILE	(Inches)		SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)		
STATION		DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS	LAST	2 YEARS
NAME	ELEVATION				YEAR	YEAR	AGO
Hagans Meadow Independence Camp Marlette Lake Sonora Pass Truckee #2 Ward Creek	8000 7000 8000 8800 6400 7000	36 34 50 48 18 49	3.65 6.10 3.70 8.30 3.65 5.80	2/26 3/2 2/25 2/24 3/3 3/1	3.6 5.9 3.7 8.3 3.7 5.8	2.9 5.6 8.1 2.7 4.8	3. 8.



Although February precipitation and snowfall was much below normal, the snow pack in the Walker River headwaters remains above average. Water users above and below Topaz and Bridgeport Reservoirs will have ample 1965 irrigation season water supplies. Topaz and Bridgeport are holding above average stored water supplies.

Plate 5 (over)

STORAGE (1.000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month			
Topaz	59	45	50	34	
Bridgeport	42	30	42	28	

NOTE.

All averages based on 1948-62, 15 year period. Forecast period is April 1 through July 31 unless otherwise noted. a-Aerial marker; water content estimated. * 1948-62 adjusted average.

APRIL - HILY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

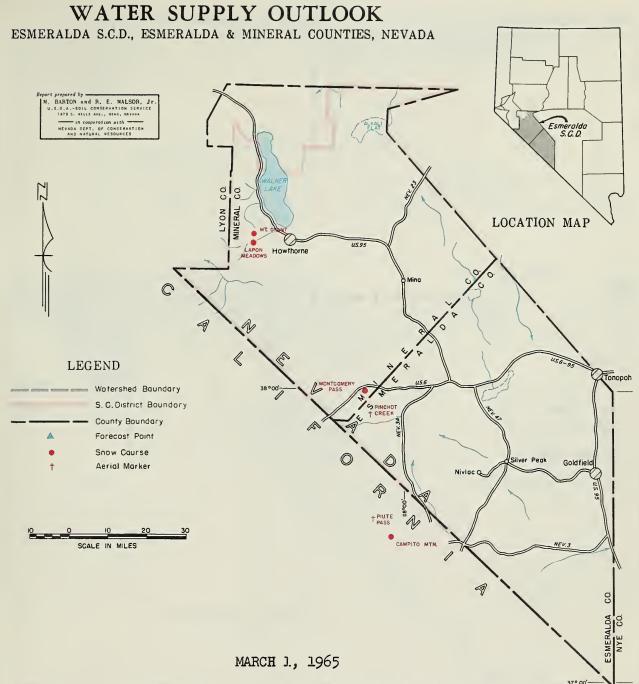
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FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR		URED AVERAGE
l.East Walker nr. Bridgeport,Cal.*	90 **	21	57
2.West Walker belo E.Fk. nr. Cole- ville, Calif.	w 200	86	140
** AprAug. runof change in Bridg			

NOW March 1, 1965		CUR	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD	
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT		ENT (Inches)	
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE	
Center Mountain	9400	3/3	116	46.4	16.6ª/		
Lobdell Lake	9200	3/3	42	16.8	9.82/	ca pa	
Sonora Pass	8800	2/24	65	27.9	12.4	20.2	
Virginia Lakes	9500	2/24	48	18.3	8.1	15.9	

SOIL MOISTURE		PROFILE	(Inches)	SOIL MOISTURE (Inches)			
STATION NAME	DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO	
Sonora Pass	8800	48	8.30	2/24	8.3	8.1	8.3
b/ Questionable value	subject	to chan	ge				

East Walker near Bridgeport is forecast to flow 90,000 acre feet during Apr.-Aug., 0 158 percent of, the 1948-62 average. Bridgeport Reservoir held 30,000 acre feet on March 1, 1965.

West Walker near Coleville is forecast to flow 2000,000 acre feet during April-July, or 143 percent of average. Last year's April-July flow was only 86,000 acre feet. Topaz Reservoir currently holds 45,000 acre feet compared to its March 1 average of 34,000 acre feet.



The March 1, 1965 snow pack in the White Mountains is poor again this year. The snow pack ranges from zero at lower elevations to 1.1 inches of snow water at Campito snow course. The Pinchot Creek, Chiatovich Flat, and Piute Pass aerial markers were bare. Last month there was a trace of snow at these three locations and 1.8 inches of water content at Campito.

Ground water recharge from the White Mountains into Fish Lake Valley will be poor this year.

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RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month) THIS YEAR LAST YEAR AVERAGE				

NOTE: All averages based on 1948-62, 15 year period. Forecast period is April 1 through July 31 unless otherwise noted. a-Aerial marker; water content estimated. * 1948-62 adjusted average.

APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1.000 Ac. Ft.)

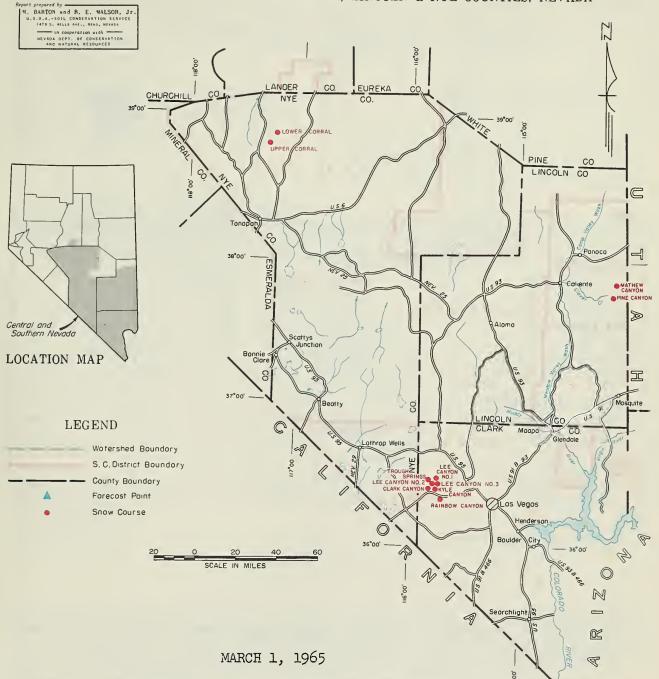
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March 1, 1965

0W		CURRENT INFORMATION PAST RECORD				
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONTENT (Inches	
ЗМАИ	ELEVATION	SURVEY (In	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Campito	10,200	2/28	5	1.1	0.0	7.4
Chiatovich Flat	10,500	3/3	0	0.0	New	Marke
Montgomery Pass	7,100	3/1	0	0.0	0.0	1.9
Pinchot Creek	9,300	3/3	0	0.0	0.0	
Piute Pass	11,700	3/3	0	0.0	T	

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

CENTRAL and SOUTHERN NEVADA CLARK, LINCOLN & NYE COUNTIES, NEVADA



The snow pack in the Spring Mountains near Las Vegas is 58 percent of the March 1 average. This is much better than last year. Groundwater recharge from the Spring Mountains will be fair to good depending on precipitation in March and the spring season.

Pine and Mathew Canyon snow courses in Meadow Valley Wash near Caliente are bare with traces of snow nearby. On the upper Reese River there is little snow below 7500 feet and near average at the higher elevations. Streamflow in these areas will be poor to fair this year if the present trend continues.

Plate 7

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STORAGE (1.000 Ac. Ft.)

62 adjusted average.

APRIL	- JULY	RUNOFF	(1,000	Ac.	Ft.)
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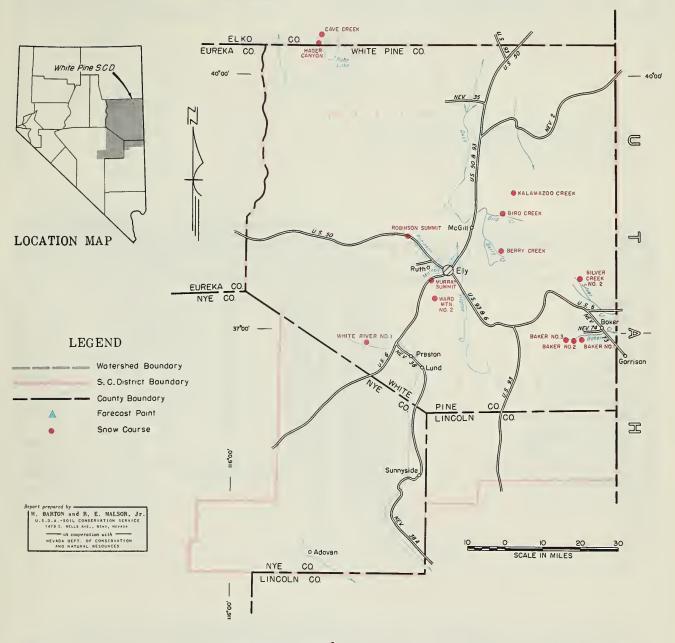
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RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURE THIS YEAR	D (First of Mor	nth) AVERAGE		FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	MEAS	
Mohave	1810	1683	1674	1357	×	Virgin at Virgin,		,	
Mead	27220	11361	15090	17037		Utah	34	37	43
** Store	ge bega	n in l	950			April-June forecas Salt Lake City, U	, ,	SCS	
NOTE: All averages period is Ap noted. a-Aeri	ril 1 thro	ugh July 3	11 unless o	therwise					

SNOW March 1, 1965	CUR	RENT INFORMA	PAST RECORD			
SNOW COURSE	DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONTENT (Inches)		
NAME ELEVATION		SURVEY	(Inches)	(inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Clark Canyon Kyle Canyon Lee Canyon #1 Lee Canyon #2 Lee Canyon #3 Rainbow Canyon #2 Trough Springs	9000 8200 8300 9000 8400 8100 8500	3/2 3/1 3/1 3/1 3/1 3/2	17 15 11 18 15 27 7	5.7 4.3 5.0 5.5 8.5	1.4 1.4 1.2 2.4 0.9 2.7	7.1* 8.9 7.6 8.4 13.2 6.1
MEADOW VALLEY SCD Mathew Canyon Pine Canyon TONOPAH SCD Lower Corral	6200 6000 7500	3/1 3/1 2/26 2/26	0 0	0.0	1.1	2.0*

The Virgin River at Virgin, Utah is forecast to flow 34,000 acre feet during April-June or 79 percent of average. This flow is very similar to last year's flow of 37,000 acre feet. The Virgin River water users in the Mesquite area can expect an irrigation season water supply similar to last year.

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

WHITE PINE S.C.D., WHITE PINE, LINCOLN & NYE COUNTIES, NEVADA



MARCH 1, 1965

Snow pack in White Pine County is 90 percent of the March 1 average, streamflow will be fair to good.

In the Baker and Silver Creek area the snow pack is 118 percent of average. This amount of snow should insure an adequate water supply this spring and summer.

Snow pack in the Schell Creek Range is 103 percent of average. An adequate water supply is expected in this area.

Plate 8 (Over)

STORAGE (1.000 Ac. Ft.)

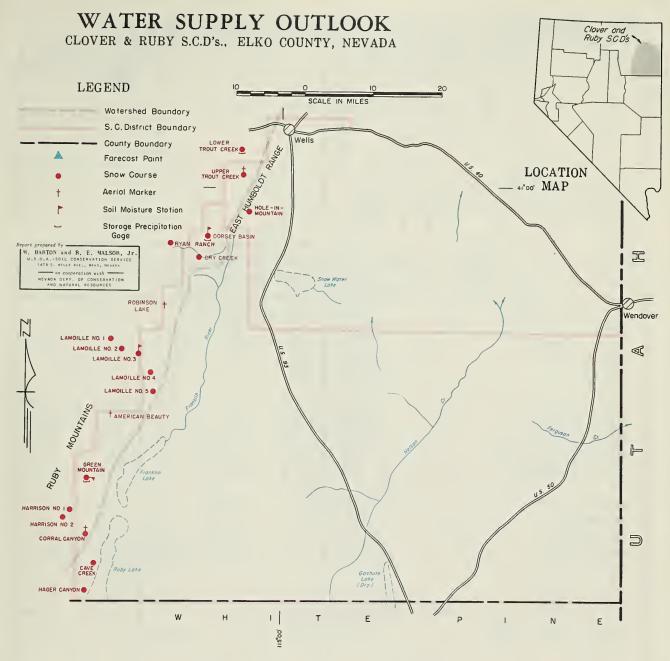
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NOTE: All averages based	on 1948-62	, 15 year	period. I	Forecast						
period is April 1 noted. a-Aerial mark 62 adjusted average.	through . ker; water	July 31 u	nless ot	herwise						

SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER	WATER CONTENT (Inches		
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	CONTENT (inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE	
Baker #1 Baker #2 Baker #3 Berry Creek Bird Creek Cave Creek Hager Canyon Kalamazoo Creek Murray Summit Robinson Summit Silver Creek #2 Ward Mtn. #2 White River #1	7950 8950 9250 9100 7500 7500 8000 7400 7250 7600 8000 8900 7400	2/26 2/26 2/26 3/1 3/1 2/25 2/25 2/24 3/2 3/1 2/25 Not	20 44 51 46 13 37 61 23 T 22 Surveye	5.7 15.0 17.7 14.8 3.7 13.8 23.7 7.1 T T 6.6 d	4.0 7.3 10.3 8.2 2.9 12.1 11.5 4.7 2.1 3.1 2.6 3.5 1.5	5.9 13.5 15.1 12.6 4.0 13.5 18.0 7.1* 3.3 3.2* 4.5* 16.7* 2.9*	

Two courses were measured on the Ruby Mountains above the Ruby Wildlife Refuge and were found to be 117 percent of average. The water supply should be good in this area.

There is only a trace of snow at the lower elevations near Ely. If this trend continues streamflow will be fair in this area.



MARCH 1, 1965

Ranchers in the Clover and Ruby Valley Soil Conservation Districts will have a good irrigation water supply this coming season. Streamflow from the Ruby Mountains will range from normal to above normal depending on precipitation in the spring and summer months.

The snow pack ranges from 56 percent of the March 1 average at Harrison Pass to 167 percent at Hole-in-the-Mountain snow course. There is no snow below 6500 feet. Mountain soils are well wetted and this will minimize the amount of snow stored water needed for priming the soils before runoff occurs.

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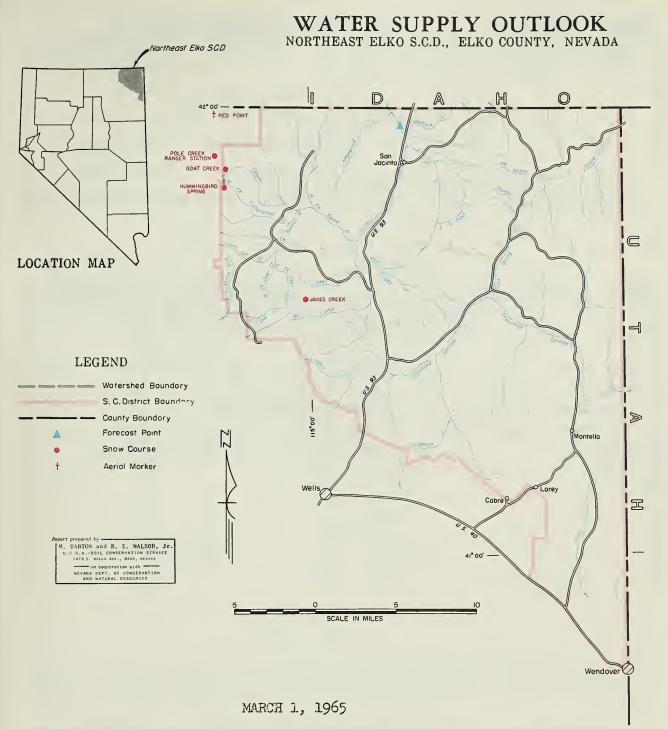
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RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month) THIS YEAR LAST YEAR AVERAGE								

NOTE: All averages based on 1948-62, 15 year period. Forecast period is April 1 through July 31 unless otherwise noted. a-Aerial marker; water content estimated. * 1948-62 adjusted average.

APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

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FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	MEASURED LAST YEAR AVERAGE		

SNOW March 1, 1965		CURRENT INFORMATION PAST RECORD				
SNOW COURSE NAME ELEVATION		DATE OF SURVEY	SNOW DEPTH (Inches)	WATER CONTENT (Inches)		ENT (Inches)
American Beauty Cave Creek Corral Canyon Dorsey Basin Dry Creek	7800 7500 8500 8100 6500	Marke 2/25 3/2 3/4 3/4	r Down 37 49 33 0	13.8 17.0 10.1 0.0	8.5ª/ 12.1 11.2ª/ 10.3 5.2	13.5 16.0* 10.5 4.6
Green Mountain Hager Canyon Harrison Pass #1 Harrison Pass #2 Hole-in-Mountain	8000	2/23	41	13.5	10.2	11.8*
	8000	2/25	61	23.7	11.5	18.0
	6600	2/23	8	2.0	5.7	4.2
	7400	2/23	14	3.8	6.2	5.9*
	7900	2/27	72	29.4	14.2	17.6*
Lamoille #1 Lamoille #2 Lamoille #3 Lamoille #4 Lamoille #5	7100	3/3	25	8.2	7.8	9.3
	7300	3/3	25	7.4	7.4	8.8
	7700	3/3	40	16.0	8.5	11.4
	8000	3/3	61	22.5	11.0	16.6
	8700	3/3	81	32.6	15.2	24.3*
Ryan Ranch	5800	3/4	O	0.0	3.0	1.9
Trout Creek, Lower	6900	2/26	T	T	4.7	3.1*
Trout Creek, Upper	8500	3/2	5 ¹ 4	21.62/		18.7*



Mountain snow pack in the Salmon Falls Creek headwaters in the Northeast Elko SCD is 140 percent of average. Mountain soils are very wet. Spring and early summer 1965 runoff will be very good.

Salmon Falls Creek near San Jacinto is forecast to flow 107,000 acre feet during March-July 1964, which is 141 percent of average.

STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

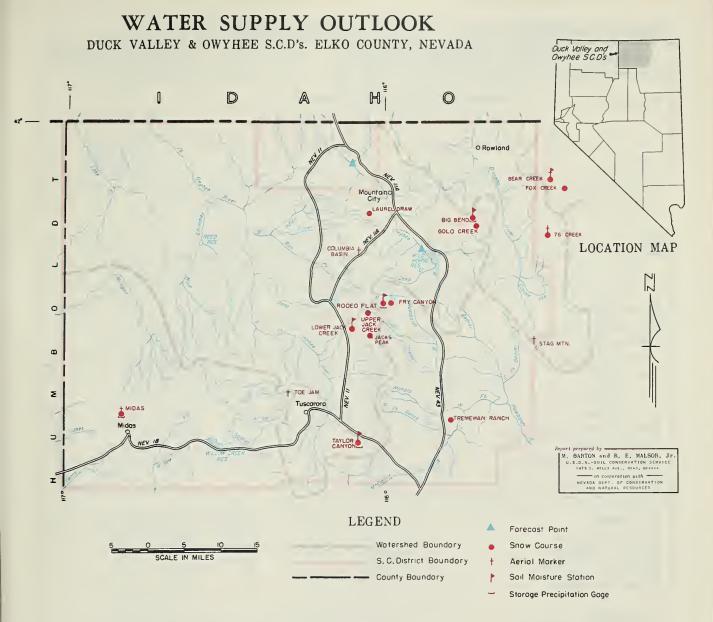
RESERVOIR	USABLE	MEASURED (First of Month) THIS YEAR LAST YEAR AVERAGE			
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APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR			
1.Salmon Falls Cr. near San Jacinto		,		
March-September	110	102	78	
March-July	107	98	76	
Forecasts issued by	SCS, 1	Boise,	Idaho	

SNOW March 1, 1965		CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD	
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF SNOW	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Goat Creek Hummingbird Springs Jakes Creek Pole Creek Ranger Station Red Point	8800 8945 7000 8330 7940	2/25 2/25 Report 2/25 2/25	64 74 Delayed 64 34	22.0 25.4 1 22.7 10.0	13.9 16.9 6.5 16.5 12.6 2 /	15.9* 18.4* 4.0* 15.7*



MARCH 1, 1965

Mountain snow pack in the Owyhee and Duck Valley SCD's is 94 percent of the March 1, 1948-62 average. Above 7500 feet the snow pack is 125 percent of average or more. Soils under the snow are very wet.

April-July 1965 streamflow in this area will be good if normal conditions prevail. Wildhorse reservoir currently holds 9,000 acre feet. With the anticipated streamflow and assuming the usual irrigation water withdrawals Wildhorse will not spill this year.

The Owyhee near Gold Creek is forecast to flow 23,000 acre feet during April-July or 105 percent of average. Downstream the Owyhee near Owyhee is forecast to flow 78,000 acre feet or 105 percent of its April-July average.

STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY		RED (First o	
Wild Horse	33	9	25	14

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APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

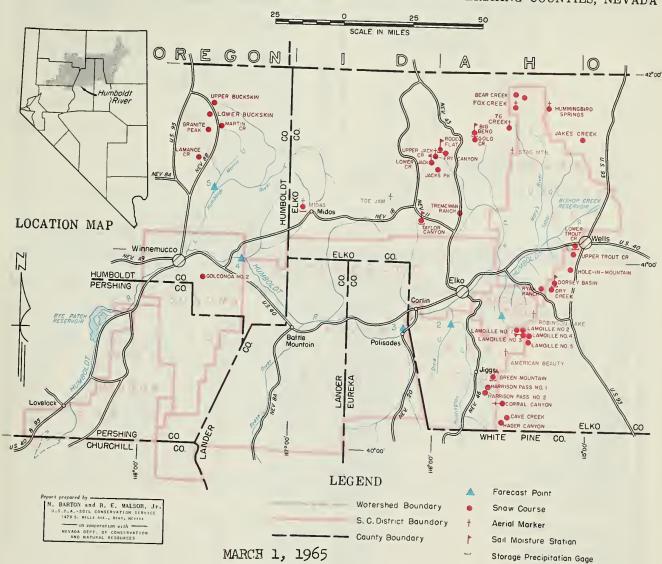
FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	MEAS LAST YEAR	
1.Cwyhee River nr. Owyhee**	78	78	74
2.0wyhee River nr. Gold Creek**	23	21	22
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SNOW COURSE	SNOW COURSE		SNOW DEPTH	WATER	WATER CONTENT (Inche		
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE	
Bear Creek Big Bend Columbia Basin Fawn Creek Fox Creek Fry Canyon	7800 6700 6650 7000 6800 6700	2/25 2/24 3/2 3/2 2/25 2/24	70 24 20 1 37 17	24.5 7.4 6.38/ 0.38/ 11.8 5.4		16.6* 8.5 Warker 9.4* 7.8	
Gold Creek Jack Creek, Upper Laurel Draw Merritt Mountain Midas Rodeo Flat	6600 7250 6700 7800 7200 6800	2/24 3/2 2/25 3/2 3/2 2/24	15 22 20 4 T	4.5 6.82/ 6.4 1.22/ 4.2	7.8	6.1* 9.5* 7.9* Varker 7.3	
76 Creek Stag Mountain Taylor Canyon Toe Jam Tremewan Ranch	7100 7700 6200 7700 5700	3/2 3/2 2/25 3/2 2/24	30 20 12 21 T	9.9 <u>a</u> / 6.2 <u>a</u> / 4.4 6.8 <u>a</u> / T	8.6ª/ 7.3ª/ 4.6 9.5ª/ 3.2	11.5* 4.6 1.4	

SOIL MOISTURE		PROFILE	(Inches)		SOIL MOISTU	RE (Inches)	
STATION NAME	ELEVATION	DEPTH	CAPACITY	DATE	THIS YEAR	LAST YEAR	2 YEARS AGO
Bear Creek Big Bend Rodeo Flat Taylor Canyon	7800 6700 6800 6200	72 48 42 48	16.9 16.7 11.0 15.1	2/25 2/24 2/24 2/25	14.4 16.5 11.0 15.0	9.6 15.7 8.9 12.6	7.6 15.2 10.6 12.4

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

HUMBOLDT RIVER
CHURCHILL, ELKO, EUREKA, HUMBOLDT, LANDER & PERSHING COUNTIES, NEVADA



Water users in the Lovelock area will have an adequate water supply this coming irrigation season. Rye Patch Reservoir held 139,000 acre feet on March 1, only 40,000 acre feet less than capacity. Snow pack in the Humboldt River basin is normal this year. The snow pack ranges from good to excellent at the higher elevations, to fair at the lower elevations. Streamflow in this area will be above normal this year. The Humboldt is forecast to flow 225,000 acre feet or 130 percent of average at Palisade and 170,000 acre feet at Comus. Lamoille Creek is expected to flow 34,000 acre feet or 131 percent of average. The South Fork of the Humboldt will flow 75,000 acre feet or 125 percent of average. Two streams have been added to the forecast sheet - Mary's River and the North Fork of the Humboldt. These two streams are forecast to flow 36,000 acre feet (105 percent average) and 34,000 acre feet (100 percent) respectively.

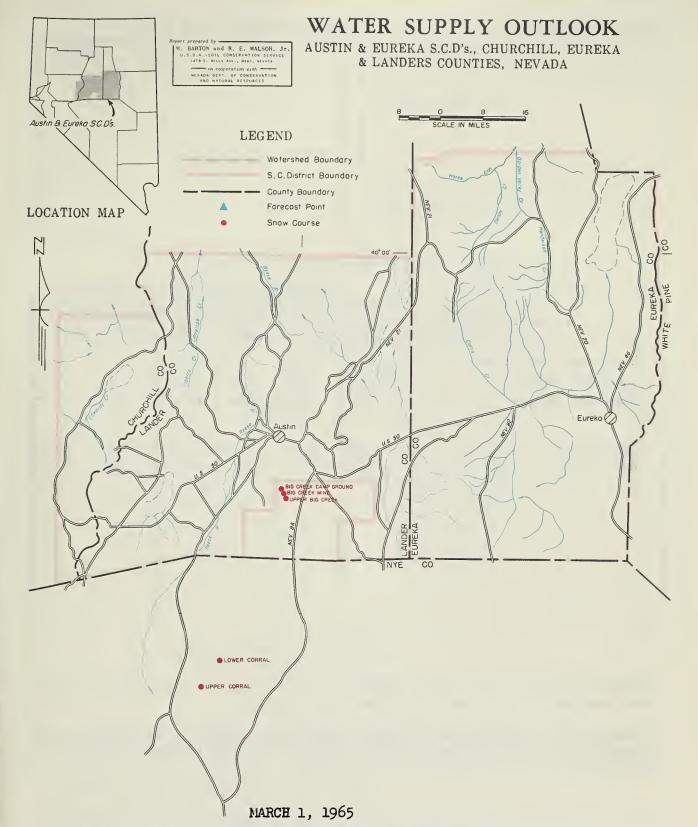
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RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month) THIS YEAR LAST YEAR AVERAGE				
Rye Patch	179	139	79	63		

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FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR						
l.Lamoille Cr. nr.							
Lamoille	34	33	26				
2.So.Fk. Humboldt							
River nr. Elko	75	88	60				
Marys River above							
Hot Springs Cr.	36	30	34				
No.Fk.Humboldt							
at Devils Gate	314	33	34				
3.Humboldt River							
at Palisade	225	271	173				
4.Humboldt River		•	۰				
at Comus	170	207	127				
5.Martin Creek nr.							
Paradise Vallev	18	12	17				

SNOW March 1, 1965	CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD		
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONT	ENT (Inches)
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Hummingbird Springs Bear Creek Big Bend Fawn Creek Fox Creek Fry Canyon Gold Creek Jack Creek, Upper Merritt Mountain Rodeo Flat 76 Creek Stag Mountain Taylor Canyon Toe Jam Tremewan Ranch	8945 7800 6700 7000 6800 6700 6600 7250 7800 6800 7100 7700 6200 7700 5700	2/254 2/20/20/20/20/20/20/20/20/20/20/20/20/20	74 7041 3775044 130001EF	22 7 0 1 5 4 5 1 4 9 6 4 5 T	5.7 8.6a/ 7.3a/ 4.6 9.5a/ 3.2	9.4* 7.8 6.1* 9.5* larker 7.3 11.5*
American Beauty Cave Creek Corral Canyon Dorsey Basin Dry Creek Green Mountain Hager Canyon Harrison Pass #1 Harrison Pass #2 Hole-in-Mountain Lamoille #1 Lamoille #3 Lamoille #4 Lamoille #5 Ryan Ranch Trout Creek, Lower Trout Creek, Upper Midas Golconda #2 Buckskin, Lower Buckskin, Lower Granite Peak Lamance Creek Martin Creek	7800 7500 8500 8500 8600 6600 7400 7300 7300 7300 7300 7300 7400 8700 8700 6900 6700 6700 6700 6700	Mar 2014 2	Down 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 10	801057084040500 6 6 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	8.12.32.25.72.28.4.5.02.0.7.8.0.95.2.5.6.11.5.6.14.7.7.8.11.5.6.5.7.8.6	-5.05.680.29\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\\



Snow surveys in the Big Creek area indicate a mountain snow pack of 10 to 119 percent of average. The snow pack below the 7500 foot elevation is poor and ranges from fair to good at higher elevations.

Plate 13

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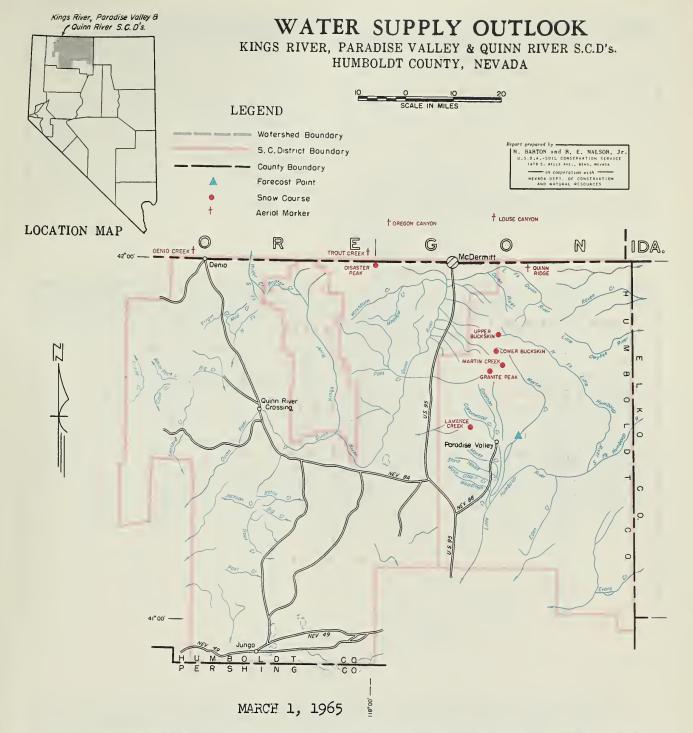
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RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY THIS	MEASURED (First of	Month) AVERAGE	FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	MEASU	URED AVERAGE
NOTE: All averages based period is April 1 noted. a-Aerial mar 62 adjusted average	through July ker; water con	y 31 unless oth	erwise				

OW March 1, 1965		CURI	RENT INFORMA	PAST RECORD		
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONT	ENT (Inches)
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Big Creek Camp Ground	6600	2/26	1	0.2	1.5	1.9
Big Creek Mine	7600	2/26		4.4	4.0	3.7
Upper Big Creek	7800	2/26	17	4.4	5.4	5.8
Lower Corral	7500	2/26	0	0.0	0.2	با. 1
Upper Corral	8500	2/26	11	4.2	2.4	4.5

Mountain snowpack on the upper Reese River is negligable below 7500 feet and near average in the higher elevations.

Streamflow in the Big Creek and Upper Reese River areas will be fair in early season to poor in late season unless there is a decided increase in the snow pack



Although there is no snow at the lower elevations, snow pack in the Santa Rosa Mountains is good for this time of year. The snow pack is 109 percent of the March 1 average in this area. Paradise Valley ranchers can expect a good irrigation season water supply this year.

Streamflow should be normal to above normal. Martin Creek is forecast to flow 18,000 acre feet or 106 percent of average.

STORAGE (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY		f Month) AVERAGE	
Rye Patch	179	139	79	63

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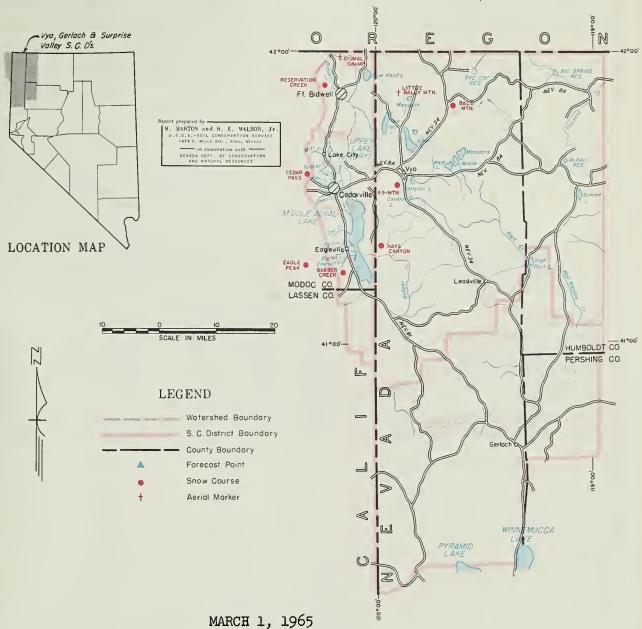
APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

APRIL - JULY RUNUFF (1,000 AC. Ft.)							
FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR		URED AVERAGE				
1.Martin Creek nr. Paradise Valley 2.Humboldt River at Palisade	18 225	12	17 173				
3.Eumboldt River at Comus	170	207	127				

SNOW March 1, 1965		CURRENT INFORMATION PAST RECORD				ECORD
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF SNOW	SNOW DEPTH	WATER CONTENT	WATER CONTENT (Inches)	
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(Inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Buckskin, Lower Buckskin, Upper Disaster Peak Denio Creek (Oregon) Granite Peak Lamance Creek Louse Canyon (Oregon) Martin Creek Oregon Canyon (Oregon) Quinn Ridge Trout Creek (Oregon)	6700 7200 6500 6000 7800 6000 6440 6700 7240 6300 7800	2/25 2/25 3/2 2/25 2/26 2/25 2/25 2/25 2/25	18 20 29 45 20 25 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20 20	7.3 8.4 12.3 0.0ª/ 18.9 7.8 0.9ª/ 10.4 3.7ª/ 0.0ª/ 9.2ª/	6.9 5.5 13.1 0.6a/ 7.2 8.5 1.5a/ 6.0a/ 2.1a/ 5.4a/	8.5* 7.9* 14.6* 10.9 8.9

WATER SUPPLY OUTLOOK

VYA & GERLACH S.C.D'S., NEVADA and SURPRISE VALLEY S.C.D., CALIFORNIA



Surprise Valley water users will have ample irrigation season water supplies this coming spring and summer. Coordinated forecasts of the California Department of Water Resources and Soil Conservation Service snow survey units indicate that April-September 1965 streamflow will range from 120 to 129 percent of average.

Water content of snow in the Surprise Valley and Vya SCD's is above average at 115 percent of the March 1 average. October 1964-February 1965 precipitation at Cedarville was 9.07 inches compared to an average of 7.56 inches.

STORAGE (1.000 Ac. Ft.)

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RESERVOIR	USABLE CAPACITY	MEASURED (First of Month						
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APRIL - JULY RUNOFF (1,000 Ac. Ft.)

FORECAST POINT	FORECAST THIS YEAR	ST MEASURED AR LAST YEAR AVERAG	
Bidwell Creek nr.	37.0		11. 0
Ft. Bidwell Mill Creek above	17.2	~-	14.3
all diversions	6.7	5.8	5.5
Deep Creek above	,		. 0
all diversions	4.7	3.9	3.8
Eagle Creek nr.	6.7	5.8	E 0
mouth of canyon Note: April-Sept. f	orecas	-	5.2

Coordinated forecasts of SCS and Calif. Dept. Water Resources Snow Survey Units.

SNOW March 1, 1965		CURRENT INFORMATION			PAST RECORD	
SNOW COURSE		DATE OF	SNOW DEPTH	WATER	WATER CONTENT (Inches	
NAME	ELEVATION	SURVEY	(Inches)	(inches)	LAST YEAR	AVERAGE
Bald Mountain Barber Creek (Calif.) Cedar Pass (Calif.) Dismal Swamp (Oregon) 49 Mountain Hays Canyon Little Bally Mountain Reservation Creek (Calif.)	6720 6500 7100 7000 6000 6400 6000 5900	2/24 2/25 2/26 2/23 2/25 2/23 2/25	6 35 43 45 12 11 3 26	2.4 14.1 17.3 18.0 5.3 4.2 1.2 10.4	0.8.9.0.1.1.2.4 0.8.9.0.4.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.1.4.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.4.1.1.4.1.1.4.1.4.1.1.4.1.4.1.1.4.1.4.1.1.4.1.4.1.1.4.1.	3.5 10.5; 13.8 15.8; 4.3; 3.8;

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